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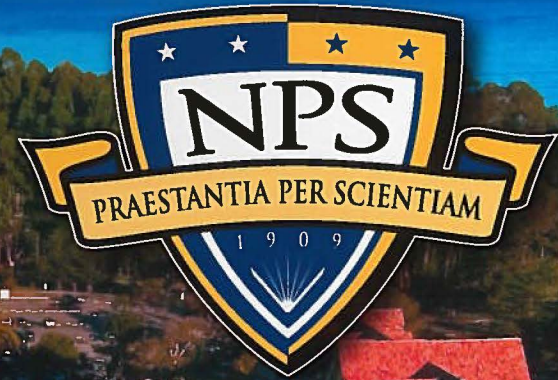
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“We all have an interest in ensuring NPS endures as the postgraduate research and educational institution of choice for the Navy-Marine Corps team and our partners. But going even further, I want this institution to be the primary educational and research-based enterprise that partners with the private sector and academia to provide solutions to the vexing problems facing national security across the whole of government.”

*~The Honorable Richard V. Spencer
Secretary of the Navy*

SPRING QUARTER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

June 15, 2018

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Vice Admiral Ronald A. Route, USN (Ret.)
President
Naval Postgraduate School

Retired Vice Adm. Ronald A. Route comes to the appointment as President, Naval Postgraduate School with over twenty years of leadership experience at the senior executive and operational level, which included responsibilities in graduate education, program requirements and resources, international affairs, research and development, and ethics.

Route's significant career assignments include President of the Naval War College, and Commander, Navy Warfare Development Command. He also served in two earlier flag officer assignments leading major divisions on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO): Director of Navy Programming and Director, Politico-Military Affairs.

A career Surface Warfare Officer, Route's sea duty included assignments and deployments in cruisers, destroyers, frigates and aircraft carriers; he commanded the AEGIS cruiser USS LAKE ERIE (CG 70) and the guided-missile destroyer USS DEWEY (DDG 45). His most recent command at sea was the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN 73) Carrier Strike Group of ten ships plus the embarked carrier air wing.

Capping his active duty career of more than 36 years, his last assignment was as the Naval Inspector General, working directly for the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations, where he directed an inspection, assessment and studies program that provided Navy headquarters leadership and major Navy commanders worldwide with important policy, organizational and ethics insight.

After retirement from the Navy in 2008, Route spent more than three years as a senior vice president at Burdeshaw Associates, Ltd. - an executive-level consulting firm specializing in defense industry and government business.

On Sept. 1, 2013, Route completed his term as President of the Surface Navy Association, a position he had held for nearly five years. He has also been a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, since 1998.

Route holds a Bachelor's of Science in Systems Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy, and a Master's of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School. He also served as the Navy's Senior Military Fellow on the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City, and attended the Executive Business Course, Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina.



Dr. Steven R. Lerman
Provost and Academic Dean, Naval Postgraduate School
Monterey, California

Dr. Steven R. Lerman assumed the position of Provost and Academic Dean of the Naval Postgraduate School on August 29, 2016.

Dr. Lerman comes to the Naval Postgraduate School following more than 40 years of experience in higher education, most recently serving as Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs at The George Washington (GW) University (2010-2015) and A. James Clark Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering (2010-2016). As Provost, Dr. Lerman was responsible for GW's 10 schools and colleges, athletics (24 Division I varsity sports, club sports and intramurals), the Division of Student Affairs and the University Library. Approximately 4,900 full and part-time faculty and staff report up through these units with a combined budget of \$580 million. Dr. Lerman was also responsible for all academic and student life aspects for three GW campuses (Foggy Bottom, Mt. Vernon and the Virginia Science and Technology Campus) as well as at the university's three learning centers.

Prior to GW, Dr. Lerman served as Dean for Graduate Education (2007-2010) and Vice Chancellor (2008-2010), at his alma mater, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). In this capacity, Dr. Lerman served as the chief deputy to the Chancellor who has responsibility for student affairs, undergraduate education and graduate education.

Dr. Lerman has served as Director of the Center for Educational Computing Initiatives, the research unit of an MIT-wide research center devoted to studying the application of computational and communication technologies on education. He held the Class of 1922 Professorship at MIT, chaired the Faculty Advisory Boards of the MIT Open Courseware initiative and Academic Media Production Services, and was Deputy Director of the Singapore-MIT Alliance, MIT's largest distance education program. He served as the Chair of the MIT faculty from 1998 to 2001 and as Associate Chair of the Faculty from 1996 to 1998.

Dr. Lerman is a past Lilly Teaching Fellow, and the recipient of several teaching awards during his time at MIT, including the Maseeh Teaching Award, as well as the Advisor of the Year award through the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students. He has both chaired and served as a member of countless academic, industry and government advisory boards, and has broadly published in his field of transportation systems analysis.

Dr. Lerman received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Civil Engineering, and his Doctorate in Transportation Systems Analysis, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Vice Admiral Jan Tighe, USN
Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare/
Director of Naval Intelligence

Vice Adm. Jan Tighe was born in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and raised in Plantation, Florida. Tighe is a 1984 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and was commissioned as a cryptologist. She studied Russian at the Defense Language Institute and graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California, in 2001 with a doctorate in electrical engineering and a Master of Science in Applied Mathematics.

Tighe's previous tours include duty with Naval Security Group Activities in Florida, Virginia and Japan, Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron (VQ) 1, and the Naval Information Warfare Activity. She also had staff assignments on the Headquarters of the Pacific Fleet, Naval Security Group and Naval Network Warfare Command; and served as executive assistant to commander, U.S. Cyber Command. Tighe commanded more than 2,800 multi-service and multi-agency personnel at the National Security Agency/Central Security Service Hawaii in Kunia.

As a flag officer, Tighe served as commander, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command/Commander, U.S. 10th Fleet; U.S. Cyber Command Deputy J3; Director, Decision Superiority in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (OPNAV N2N6); interim President of the Naval Postgraduate School; and Deputy Commander, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command/U.S. 10th Fleet.

In July 2016, she assumed duties as the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare and the 66th Director of Naval Intelligence.

Tighe wears both the information warfare pin and naval aviation observer wings, earned while deployed as an airborne special evaluator aboard VQ-1 EP-3E aircraft in the Persian Gulf during Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

Tighe has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), the Strike/Flight Air Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards) and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Tighe is a member of the Acquisition Professionals Community and holds a Level III Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) certification in program management.

PLATFORM PARTY

First Row (left to right)

Commander Mark Giralmo
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Representative

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Senior United States Army Representative

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Senior United States Marine Corps
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and Applied Sciences

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USN
Dean of Students

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Chair of the Department of Electrical and
Computer Engineering

Dr. Claudia Luhrs
Representing the Chair of the Department of
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Dr. Peter Denning
Chair of the Department of Computer
Science

Dr. Clay Moltz
Representing the Chair of the Department of
National Security Affairs

Dr. Timour Radko
Representing the Chair of the Department
of Physical Oceanography

Dr. Wendell Nuss
Chair of the Department of Meteorology

Dr. Kevin Smith
Chair of the Department of Physics

Dr. Gene Paulo
Representing the Chair of the Department of
Systems Engineering

Dr. James Newman
Chair of Space Systems Academic Group

Dr. Patricia Jacobs
Chair of the Department of Operations
Research

Dr. John Arquilla
Chair of the Department of Defense
Analysis

Dr. Craig Rasmussen
Chair of the Department of Mathematics

Professor Fred Drake
Dean of Academics, Naval War College

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Processional..... Del Monte Brass

Grand Marshal Professor Craig Rasmussen

Faculty Marshal Associate Professor Rene Rendon

Military Marshal..... Lieutenant Colonel Gregory Grayson, USMC

Master of Ceremonies..... Captain Markus J. Gudmundsson, USN

***Presentation of Colors Naval Postgraduate School Color Guard**

***National Anthem Del Monte Brass**

***Invocation Commander Mark Giralmo, USN**

Introduction of Speaker Vice Admiral Ronald A. Route, USN (Ret.)

**Address to Graduates Vice Admiral Jan Tighe, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval
Operations for Information Warfare/Director of Naval Intelligence**

Presentation of Candidates Provost Steven Lerman

Announcement of Degrees..... Captain Markus J. Gudmundsson, USN

***Benediction Commander Mark Giralmo, USN**

Recessional Del Monte Brass

***The audience will stand.**

Notes:

1. As a courtesy to those with young children, we have set up a family friendly room which is located in the basement of King Hall with streaming video of today's graduation. The ushers in the back of the auditorium can give you directions to the family friendly room.

2. The President cordially invites graduates, faculty, and guests to a reception in honor of the graduates in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom at Herrmann Hall immediately following the ceremony.

3. Graduation can also be viewed via the internet in real time from home. The link for this broadcast is: <http://www.nps.edu/watchlive>.

4. Photos will be available for download on the internet next week on the Public Affairs or Current Students web page: <http://my.nps.edu/web/guest/graduation-photography>.

GRADUATION AWARDS

Monterey Council Navy League Award for Highest Academic Achievement - CDR Christopher James Angelopoulos, USN

Award is presented to a graduating USN, USMC, USCG, or NOAA student who has maintained an outstanding academic record as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

Association of the United States Army, General Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter, Award for Outstanding Army Student – MAJ Philip Swintek, USA

Award is presented to an Army student who has maintained an outstanding academic record as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

The Space Systems Operations Award for Academic Excellence - MAJ Philip Swintek, USA

Award is presented to an outstanding student in Space Systems Operations who has graduated since the last award. Selection criteria for this award is based on Quality Point Rating, thesis, academic achievement, and extra curricula activities.

Marine Corps Association Superior Service Award for Outstanding U.S. Marine Student - Maj Andrew Reaves, USMC

Award is presented to a graduating Marine Corps student based on superior contributions to the student body, professional community, and local Monterey area.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Regional Security Studies – Maj Andrew Reaves, USMC

Award is presented to a graduating U.S. military or civilian student in the Department of National Security Affairs for an outstanding thesis in regional security studies.

Air Force Association Award for Outstanding U.S. Air Force Student – Maj Steven M.K. Cooper, USAF

Award is sponsored by the Monterey Chapter of the California Air Force Association and is presented for outstanding service.

The Surface Navy Association's Award for Excellence in Surface Warfare Research – LT Ryan Ferrao, USN

Award is presented to graduating students from any curriculum whose thesis topic and quality of supporting research demonstrate the greatest potential for contribution to the Surface Navy.

Joint Chiefs of Staff Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Intelligence Award for Academic Achievement - Capt Justin Lee King, USMC

Award is presented to the outstanding graduate of the Joint C4I Program in recognition of distinguished academic achievement.

AFCEA John McReynolds Wozencraft Award for Academic Excellence in Joint C4I - Capt Justin Lee King, USMC

Award is presented based on academic excellence and best demonstrated professional qualities in the Joint C4I program.

AFCEA John McReynolds Wozencraft Electrical and Computer Engineering Academic Honor Award - Ensign Jacob Melton, USN

Award is presented based on academic excellence and best demonstrated professional qualities in one of the following programs: Electronics or Intelligence.

Naval Postgraduate School Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for International Students - LT Leander van Schriek, Royal Netherlands Navy

Award is presented to students who have exhibited outstanding academic achievement, conducted notable thesis research, maintained motivation and a serious interest in the community, and who have interacted well with other students in the interest of international alliance.

The International Student Award for Excellence in Regional or Security Studies - Major Mohamad El Habech, Lebanese Army

Award is presented to an officer or civilian student for academic performance evaluated in terms of overall scholarly achievement.

Naval Postgraduate School Superior Service Award - LCDR Rhett Begley, USN

Award is presented based on superior contributions to the student body, professional community, and local Monterey area.

Admiral William Adger Moffett Space Systems Award - LCDR Rhett Begley, USN

Award is presented to an outstanding graduate of the Space Systems curricula who has graduated since the last award.

The Outstanding United States Air Force Graduate Award, Department of National Security Affairs - Maj Amal Nazzall, USAF

Award is presented to an officer for overall scholarly achievement.

2018 Warren Randolph Church Award for Excellence in Mathematics - Capt Nicholas Koeppen, USMC

The award is presented annually to a student at the June commencement exercises in recognition of outstanding performance in mathematical courses. The student need not be mathematics major, nor graduating at the time of presentation.

The Space Systems Engineering Award for Academic Excellence - Capt Nicholas Koeppen, USMC

Award is presented to an outstanding student based on quality point rating, thesis, curricular, and extra curricular activities.

Foreign Area Officer Association Award for Excellence in International Affairs - LT Rachel Althouse, USN

Award is presented to recognize the student(s), who in the opinion of the National Security Affairs Department faculty have distinguished themselves by outstanding thesis in international affairs, based on the quality of the research and overall scholarly achievement.

Chief of Naval Operations Award for Excellence in Operations Research - Capt Coleman W. Strickland, USMC

Award is presented to a Navy or Marine Corps graduate on the basis of academic achievement, experience tour performance, thesis work and demonstration of those qualities indicative of an outstanding military officer.

Military Operations Research Society Stephen A. Tisdale Graduate Research Award - Maj Nicholas Joseph Freeman, USMC

Award is presented in recognition of outstanding achievement in graduate research directed toward improving military force utilization. The primary award criterion is research which leads to demonstration of or potential for increased operating effectiveness of currently available or near term assets.

Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper Information Technology Management Award - Maj Rebecca Bolz, USMC

Award is presented to a graduate, who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance, thesis quality and leadership ability.

Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper Computer Science Award - Capt Jaspreet Blevins, USMC

Award is presented in recognition of excellence in Computer Science to the outstanding graduate who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance, thesis quality and leadership ability.

Commander George L. Phillips Modeling, Virtual Environments, and Simulation - Capt Jeremiah Sasala, USA

Award is presented to the outstanding graduate in MOVES who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance, thesis quality and leadership ability.

Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command Award in Electronic Systems Engineering - Captain Benjamin Brida, USMC

Award is presented for distinguished academic achievement in the advanced Electronic Systems Engineering program

Naval Sea Systems Command Award for Excellence in Combat Systems - LCDR Alex Baynes, USN

Award is presented in recognition of distinguished scholastic achievement in Combat Systems Engineering and is based on academic achievement, research excellence, and leadership potential.

Naval Sea Systems Command Award in Naval/Mechanical Engineering - LT Joshua Bowling, USN

Award is presented in recognition of distinguished academic achievement in the Naval/Mechanical Engineering Program.

Oceanographer of the Navy Award for Outstanding Academic Performance in Meteorology and Oceanography - LT Kellen Jones, USN

Award is presented to an Air-Ocean Sciences graduate with outstanding academic performance and exhibition of those qualities indicative of an outstanding military officer.

Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory Award for Excellence in Applied Physics Research - Capt Jonathan Brown, USMC

Award is presented for outstanding research in applied physics that has the potential to positively impact future Navy and Marine Corps systems and operational capability.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Management - Mr. James Kiesling, Army Corps of Engineers

Award is presented to a Master of Business Administration student, based on academic excellence, personal excellence, and contributions to the quality of the educational program, to fellow officers, and to the community.

Naval Supply Systems Command Award for Academic Excellence in Management - LCDR Andrew Mikesell, USN

Award is presented to an outstanding U.S. Naval Supply Corps officer in Systems Management based on academic achievement, research excellence, and contribution to the professional and civilian community and faculty recommendations.

CDR Philip A. Murphy-Sweet Memorial Award for Excellence in Acquisition - Mr. Chester Swiszc, Graduate School of Business and Public Policy

Award is presented to a graduating USN, USMC, or DoN civilian student who has demonstrated academic, research, and professional excellence in the Acquisition and Contract Management, Systems Acquisition Management, Contract Management, or Program Management curricula.

Rear Admiral Donald R. Eaton Logistics Award for Outstanding Achievement - LT Kenneth Swing, USN

Award is presented to a graduate of Material Logistics Management, Supply Chain Management or Transportation Management curricula for academic achievement and contributions to logistics communities as demonstrated by scholastic excellence and thesis/project research.

Conrad Scholar Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement in Financial Management - LT Timothy Whitney, USN, and LCDR Matthew Lorge, USN

Award is presented to an outstanding officer in the Financial Management community who has demonstrated academic excellence, presented a financial management essay for publication, and exhibited the potential for outstanding leadership while attending the Naval Postgraduate School.

The Army Acquisition Corps Award for Scholastic Achievement - CPT Shane Kohtz, USA

Award is presented to a graduating US Army Acquisition student who has exhibited outstanding academic excellence through academic achievement, thesis research, and leadership potential.

Meyer Award for Outstanding Student in Systems Engineering (Distance Learning) - LCDR Paul Kaneen Evans, USN, and Cheryl Elizabeth Mierzwa

Award is presented to an outstanding Department of Defense graduate of each Distance Learning Systems Engineering degree program who has demonstrated superior academic performance.

FACULTY/STAFF AWARDS

The Military Officers Association of America Joint Service Warfare Award - CAPT Brian Morgan, USN

Award is presented to NPS military faculty member(s) who have contributed most significantly to the study, implementation, and spirit of joint-service warfare

First Command Military Leadership Award - CDR Paul Rasmussen, USN

Award is presented to an active duty military faculty or staff member at the Naval Postgraduate School, who, in the opinion of the next two graduating classes, contributed the most to the professional and military success of the graduates during their assignment at the Naval Postgraduate School.

Rear Admiral John Jay Schieffelin Award for Excellence in Teaching - Associate Professor Frank E. Kragh, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Award recognizes faculty members, who, through wide consensus, excel as teachers. This consensus is ascertained through a ballot polling of students and graduates.

The Lieutenant Commander David L. Williams Outstanding Professor Award - Research Assistant Professor Rodrigo Nieto-Gómez, National Security Affairs

This award is presented to the faculty member of the School of International Graduate Studies who has demonstrated the greatest dedication to the learning and intellectual growth of students, in residence and abroad, and through that dedication had greatest impact on individual students and the course as a whole.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Teaching Excellence in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy - Associate Professor Mic Augier, Graduate School of Business and Public Policy

Award is presented, if warranted, to a member of the faculty in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy at the June and December graduations. The faculty member is selected by popular vote by resident students in any of the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy curricula.

Meyer Award for Teaching Excellence in Systems Engineering (Distance Learning) - Senior Lecturer Mark R. Stevens and Professor of Practice Warren K. Vaneman

Award is presented to an outstanding faculty member of the Distance Learning Systems Engineering degree program who is recognized by the students for teaching excellence and/or exceptional contributions to the students' overall learning experience.

Naval Postgraduate School Foundation / U.S. Naval Institute Annual Essay Contest Award - Assistant Professor Anthony Pollman

Award is presented at the NPS June Quarterly Awards Ceremony. United States Naval Institute (USNI) will publish the winning essay in the June issue of Proceedings magazine. In addition, individuals who submit essays in this essay contest will receive one-year memberships (or one-year extensions for current members) in the USNI.

All awards were previously presented

GRADUATES

- (D) - Students recommended for "With Distinction"
- (T) - Students recognized for an "Outstanding Thesis"
- (J) - Students receiving their Joint Professional Military Education
- (E) - USMC students completing Expeditionary Warfare School
- (C) - Students completing Command and Staff College
- * - Students graduating in absentia

Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Mathematics

LTC Jonathan W. Roginski, USA

Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Physics

LCDR Alexander B. Baynes, USN

Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

CDR Joseph Darcy, USN

Astronautical Engineer

(D.T.C) Capt Nick Koeppen, USMC

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

(T) LT Thomas Belna, USN

(T) LT Scott M. Birkemeier, USN

*(T) LT Joshua D. Bowling, USN

LT Tiffany Clark, USN

ENS Benjamin Keegan, USN

ENS Robert H. Kelso, USN

LT Jordan A. Klein, USN

LCDR Dillan Masellas, USN

ENS Samuele J. Polsinelli, USN

LT Joseph A. Schnieders, USN

(T) ENS Joseph J. Simpson, USN

LT Christopher C. Tang, USN

ENS Noah Wachlin, USN

Master of Science in Engineering Science (Mechanical Engineering)

*CDR James W. Steffen, USN

Master of Science in Astronautical Engineering

Capt Nick Koeppen, USMC

Mr. Robert Wright, Research Associate for the Naval Postgraduate School

Master of Science in Engineering Science (Aerospace Engineering)

*Mr. Choon Seng Leon Mark Tan, Singapore ST Engineering

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

(E) Capt Benjamin Brida, USMC
ENS Jacob Melton, USN
CDR Christopher Mendoza, USN
LT Matthew Murdock, USN
*LT Steamboat Rock, USN
ENS Michael Joseph Ross, Jr., USN
*LT James Walsh, USN
LT Alan Alfred Walker III, USN
Mr. Chua Qijing, DSO National Laboratories, Singapore
LT Evangelos Serris, Hellenic Navy

Master of Engineering (Electrical Engineering)

*Mr. Shawn August Andes
*Mr. Matthew J. Buhler, Department of Defense, Fort Meade, Maryland
*Mr. Thomas Gallagher, Department of Defense, Fort Meade, Maryland
*Ms. Pamela Major Gaston

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Middle East, South Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa)

(E) Capt Calixte C. Defay, USMC
Capt Stephen M. Maraist, USMC
(E) Capt Joseph C. Messmer, USMC
(D) Maj Christopher A. Morton, USMC
LtCol Richard T. Wilkerson, USMC
*Capt Winston E. Williams, USMC
(T,J) LT Nathan T. Couric, USN
(J) LTJG Sarah E. Erickson, USN
(J) LT John H. Haddad, USN
(J) LTJG Alphonso Harris, USN
Maj Caitlin R. Cima, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Far East, Southeast Asia, the Pacific)

Captain Sherifa C. Fuller, USMC
Capt Dustin A. Kruger, USMC
(D) Maj Eric L. Mitchell, USMC
*(J) Major Phillip J. Peacock, USMC
*Capt Marilyn C. Pendlyshok, USMC
Capt Melanie D. Sluzewicz, USMC
(J,C) LT Clement W. Herron, USN
(J) LT Andrea M. Stoke, USN
Maj Steve I. Lanuzo, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Western Hemisphere)

Maj Colter J. Bahlau, USMC
(E) Capt Matthew J. Grill, USMC
(D,T,J) Maj Justin M. Moeyskens, USMC
(D,J) LT Rachel M. Althouse, USN
(J) LT Ryan K. Evans, USN
Capt Patrick E. Beville, USAF
Capt Alejandro M. Bihar, USAF
Maj Ryan K. Jensen, USAF
Maj Justin T. Nakamura, USAF
Maj Amal Nazzall, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Europe and Eurasia)

(J) Maj Nathan J. Loomis, USMC
Maj Daniel C. Love, USMC
(D) Maj Andrew R. Reaves, USMC
(J) LT Albert J. Drones, USN
(T,J) LT Athansios R. Varvoutis, USN
(J) LT Kenneth J. Wenzel, USN
LT Christian D. Würger, German Navy
Lt Col General Staff Michael R. Seyda, German Air Force

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Homeland Security and Defense)

(J) LT Brant M. Dean, USN
(J) LT Ryan L. Frebowitz, USN
(J) LT Dylan F. Kennedy, USN
(J) LT Kevin C. McDermott, USN

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Combating Terrorism: Policy and Strategy)

(T) COL Emin Gurbanbayov, Azerbaijan Army
MAJ Mohamad El Habeck, Lebanese Army
Lt Col Faisal S. Shurjeel Qureshi, Pakistan Army
MAJ Jjemba Ssejjemba, Uganda People's Defence Force
CDR Diego E. Valenzuela Balderas, Mexican Navy
Col Gregorio B. Hernandez, Jr., Philippine Marine Corps
Col Alberto M. Ureña Figueroa, Air Force of the Dominican Republic
Capt Muhammad Bathily, Senegal Army

Master of Science in Systems Engineering

(D) CPT Todd A. Howe, USA
CPT Rondolf J. Moreno, USA
(J) LT Mario Granata, USN
LT Robert Hall, USN
(D,T) ENS Edward A. S. Hanlon, USN
(T,J) LT Daniel Michnewich, USN
LT Wyatt Thomas Middleton, USN
LT Joshua Ramseur, USN

(T,D,J) LT Travis Turner, USN

LT Andrew Whitmer, USN

LT Patrick B. Frain, USCG

LCDR Andrew Pritchett USCG

CDR Leonard Paul Bunch, USN

*LT Kenneth Fisher, USN

LT Scott James Gildemeyer, USN

*LT Adrien Charles Malone, USN

*LCDR Vincent James Ragona, USN

LT Alex Christian Snyder Stone, USN

*Mr. Hadi Bah, Jr., Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mr. Jose Eduardo Balderrama, Strategic Systems Program

Mrs. Michelle Leigh Bones, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mr. Christopher Joseph Carr, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mr. Alan Robert Crocker, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

*Mr. John Elliot Engberg, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Atlantic

Mr. Jahdiel A. Franco, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

*Mr. Jonathan Anthony Fraser, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mr. Dean George Liensdorf, Strategic Systems Program

Mr. Michael Sean Logan, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mrs. Cheryl Elizabeth Mierzwa, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Mr. Oscar E. Pineiro, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

*Mr. Nicholas Alexander Samos, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

*Mr. Lewis Betram Shattuck, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

*Mr. Isaac Veale, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Master of Science in Engineering Systems

*LCDR Paul Kaneen Evans, USN

(T,C) LCDR Dale Burton Hager, USN (Ret.)

*Mr. Prescott W. Chartier, Jr., Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport

*Mrs. Stephanie Fitzgerald Mara, Naval Undersea Warfare Center

Mrs. Mia Moore, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Division

*Ms. Kelly Mugerditchian, Strategic Systems Programs

Mr. Stephen Travis Pease, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command

Ms. Gabrielle Salo, Northrop Grumman

*Ms. Melissa Anne Suursoo, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Division Newport

Master of Science in Applied Mathematics

Capt Nick Koeppen, USMC

CPT Ivan Bermudez, USA

(J) CPT Erik Kiser, USA

*CPT Timothy J. Newlin, USA

ENS Kenneth Austin Hicks, USN

Master of Science in Space Systems Operations

Capt Kate Herren, USMC

(D,T,C) Maj John Leone, USMC

Maj Robert Manuel, USMC

(E) Capt Andrea Witt, USMC

MAJ Philip Charles Swintek, USA

MAJ John C. Yungbluth, USA

(J) LCDR Rhett Begley, USN

(J) LT Nicole Marie Breen, USN

(J) LT Niki Crawford, USN

(J) LT Andrew S. Davis, USN

(J) LTJG Sarah Kline, USN

(J) LT Jeremy McGowan, USN

(D,T,J) LT Gerie W. Palanca, USN

Master of Science in Computer Science

LtCol Daniel Bartos, USMC

(T,C) Capt Jaspreet Blevins, USMC

(J,C) Capt Adrian Wright Felder, USMC

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